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Surface Examination Report

Field file ML-46956 (4.33.95) April 19, 1995 42.750

Date of Inspection: April 12, 1995

Persons Present: William M. Stokes, SITLA, Minerals

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Conditions: Mild and overcast

Lands: T. 17 S., R. 13 W. SLM, Section 2, Trilobite Leases

On April 12, 1995, a cursory surface inspection was done on the above referenced land upon the suggestion of Kenny Wintch, who had received complaints that access was being denied to the above referenced lands. This examination did not include an examination of each individual lease within section 2 and only included a cursory examination of access and present surface conditions.

Access to Section 2, which falls within a topographic feature known as the Wheeler Amphitheater, is via highway 6/50 at the Long Ridge Reservoir sign, which is approximately 32 miles west of Delta Utah. At this sign one will travel approximately 20 miles in a northeast direction along a well maintained gravel road which terminates at the trilobite quarries.

This area is extensively used by fossil collectors and by five (5) different commercial collectors who all presently have State leases for collecting gemstone and fossil material. Each field file contains a outline of the present State lease hold in Section 2. At no point along the access to any of the leased lands was there a fence or other obstruction that would not allow access to the State lands. It should also be noted that there are areas south of Section 2, on federal land where there are sites for collecting trilobites. State lands within Section 2 that are under lease all have rather extensive excavations which have disturbed a significant area. Since the purpose of this examination was to investigate access, an examination of surface disturbance was not conducted for each individual State lease. The pictures include with this report only serve to document present disturbances within a limited area covered by ML-26068, E½SE¼ and ML-42750, S½NE¼ NW¼SE¼ of Section 2. It is recommended that a more precise investigation of boundary lines be made of each individual lease in order to determine surface disturbance responsibilities.

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